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From: NEW YORK

To: MOSCOW

No.: 847

14 June 1944

To VIKTOR[i].

On the 16th I am going to CHICAGO. Do you recommend seeing IPATOV[ii] in the line of cover and on what pretext?

No. 463

CRUCIAN [KARAS'] [iii] is leaving for SIDON [iv]

[43 groups unrecoverable]

Gate LONDON S.V.7. Password: Our man in English - Your friend VLADO[v] sends you greetings. CRUCIAN [iii] answers - Thanks very much, for I haven't seen him for a long time. C.[K.] [vi] is an exceptionally well-disciplined, able, modest man who is ready to execute any task without considering his personal safety. He has excellent abilities as an organiser and skill in managing people. He enjoys great confidence amongst the seamen. One can ~~be~~ confidently ~~[3 groups unrecovered]~~ *his country where he will get an opportunity of going from Sidon, taking advantage of his official duties.* ~~[8 groups unrecovered]~~

~~the NEIGHBOUR [SOSED] [vii] arrived here [4 groups unrecovered] service duties.~~

No. 457 [viii]  
14th June

MAY [MAJ] [ix]

[Comments overleaf]

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- Comments: [i] VIKTOR: Probably Lieutenant-General Pavel Mikhailovich FITIN.
- [ii] IPATOV: Unidentified.
- [iii] KARAS': Anton S. IVANČIĆ.
- [iv] SIDON: LONDON.
- [v] VLADO: Probably a fictitious name. For a similar instance of its use as a password (for a meeting between KOLO and "our man") see NEW YORK message no. 1042 of 25 July 1944 [S/NBF/T117 Item 2].
- [vi] C.: I.e. CRUCIAN.
- [vii] ~~SOSED: member of the Red Army Intelligence Service.~~
- [viii] The internal serial numbers in this message are as given. At this time (as well as on several other occasions) the system of allocation of serial numbers appears to have broken down, resulting in the duplication of several numbers.
- [ix] MAJ: Pavel Ivanovich FEDOSIMOV.

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At the bottom of page 1, after "completely under their influence," set a full stop and then go on:

"Until very recently CAPTAIN(xiv) refused to recognize R.(xxii), thinking that he would not stay in power long after the liberation of France [and that] consequently even if he agreed to yield in the matter of naval bases, a future French government might"

and thence to page 2, omitting "to" between "not" and "recognize."

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